



From the collections of the Minnesota Historical Society: Ransom Chadwick's Andersonville Prison Diary.

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SUNDAY, AUGUST 7, 1864.

Dry and hot, looks
as if it might rain
204 Prisoners Continues

MONDAY 8

Hot Muggy Morning
Rained a few hours
Heavy Thunder shower
Cool Night.

9th Co W Newton
Died Bleeding to the
Tongues went to the
Dead house with
his body got a back
load of wood

TUESDAY 9

Commenced thundering
heavy and sharp
the heaviest storm
we have seen this sum-
mer filled our tent full
wash our wall out 17
foot deep a barf go for
us washed out
10 Rods of the stockade
all the cribs fell out
and stood in line

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10, 1864.

Warm, & M

Rained hard P M
Frederick Stricker
Died Hughes very sick

Dr. E. C. Densmore
very sick he gives
up all hope

THURSDAY 11

Cloudy and cool
No sick call for
Two weeks or hard
scite with sick
men
Heavy Rain every day
37 more Prisoners

FRIDAY 12

Hotter than ever
Went out with another
of our Boys
Chas. E. Chase
Died in Camp
114 more Prisoners

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13, 1864.

hot as I ever see & believe
sick at a severe attack of Diarrhea
tried to get out to the
Doctors but failed
Drew small quantities
hardly enough to keep
sold and badly together
Bought one Egg paid 50.06
for it fried it on the
stove

SUNDAY 14

Warm yet sun cloudy
60 more Prisoners
An Men dying like sheep
prospects of Rain

MONDAY 15

Hot and still hotter
A little shower
Bad spell a little
trouble in the tent

TUESDAY, AUGUST 16, 1864.

hot But slow get sun
Rain Before Night
tried to get Lee out
But his friends was
in secret. A Bad
Carried Allen to the hospital
but had to fetch him
Back

WEDNESDAY 17

hot as ever discouraging
times Carried Allen
to the hospital ~~but~~
fetched him Back
had Baked Beanes
for dinner
Childerly left
Our tent
Went in to Lee's tent

THURSDAY 18

hot as ever hard
times and a misstroke
Carried Allen to the
hospital admitted
to the hospital
Referred to the Doctor
Bad Cough and scar
longues

FRIDAY, AUGUST 19, 1864.

hot as ever heavy
showers dont feel well
sold my Regt arms
for 25 cts.

SATURDAY 20

hot as ever and
twice as hard to
handle
heavy thunder
showers.

C. D. Leisner
Died to the hospital

SUNDAY 21

Cloudy and cool
Raining P.M.
feel very well
Bela Brins died
in camp
help carry him out
picked the load wood

MONDAY, AUGUST 22, 1864.

cool and cloudy
feel much better
J. M. D. died
of Adamy D. died

TUESDAY 23

hot as ever and a little
hotter if possible
feel quite well again
a few prisoners every
day almost
the rebels hunting out
the officers that were
in here as Privates soon
3 of them from lieutenants
Rank to Major Generals

WEDNESDAY 24

hotter still I have
the men are a dying
from 125 to 146 today
Muganin falls fast
a few more prisoners
had Mule Beef for
supper but high living
But it will keep sole and
Body together here it goes

THURSDAY, AUGUST 25, 1864.

A scorching ^{hot} day
get up with
the head ache
feel rather miserable
still. Prisoners
keep coming

quite an Excitement
About Exchange

FRIDAY 26

Another read
hot day. Talked in
the night with
the inflammation
for the Bowells
had a hard day
of it cramped
and pained

SATURDAY 27

Still hot as ever
chagatoes almost
eat us up
feal spin. Better
hope I shall get
better rite along

SUNDAY, AUGUST 28, 1864.

hot and very dry
I saw cooked Reptiles
very short allowance
More prisoners

MONDAY 29

still hot and dry
More prisoners
feal quite well
again

TUESDAY 30

Just as hot as ever
More Prisoners
have nothing for
Dinner getting
Rather hungry
but short for 3 days
Because one of our number
Reported a tumor Being
Dry